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SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (139A-NEW) Date 7/6/90 b6 SA From: b7C UNSUBS, aka Church Universal Subject: Interception of Communications Information Concerning 00:SU On 7/6/90. (telephone advised that he had spoken on Friday, 6/29/90, with one from the Los Angeles area (telephone that he had done a on the CHURCH UNIVERSAL in Montana. From one of contacts, a b6 A U-Haul rental dealer in Livingston, Montana, learned that b7C members of the CHURCH UNIVERSAL had rented a U-Haul truck and when the truck was retured it had electonic equipment in it. Montana Highway Patrol (telephone contacted one The electronic equipment was some type of microwave equipment that could be used to monitor electronic communications at Malmstrom Air Force Base. further reported to that he had reported this b6 information to who were interested b7C in the information and were to meet with b7E could provide no information as to whether or not this meeting took place. advised he was reporting this to FBI Salt Lake City since this Division covers the area in question, that being the area **b**6 b7C between Livingston and Gardner, Montana. | requested that if an FBI investigation should turn up any misuse of microwave equipment to ~ intercept communications and/or any evidence of any[employees being involved in such matters, he be informed so that could take appropriate measures. 040 139 A News (Ce:19 8/20/20 b6 b7C 2 - SU MNG:mng (2) 139A-SU-33670 ·

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business telephone number was interviewed. He said he is a full time employee for the and also works occasionally as a part time Special Deputy for the PARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.	ь6 ь7с
With respect to the piece of equipment that was left in the U-HAUL rental truck which had been rented from the Livingston U-HAUL company, he said the device was a UHF repeater to broadcast on frequencies 463.650 megahertz, and 468.650 megahertz.	
He said he has examined the piece of equipment and has determined that it receives VHF 155.595 megahertz, and in turn broadcast in UHF on the two previously mentioned frequencies. He said he had contacted of the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) office in Seattle regarding the piece of equipment. He said	ь6 ь7с
him that broadcasting on frequencies 463.650, and 468.650 megahertz was illegal in as much as the person who made up that piece of equipment was not licensed to broadcast on those two channels.	
Basically, said that what the piece of equipment was utilized for, was to receive police communications on the VHF receiver and in turn to broadcast them over UHF on the two channels. He said it appeared that the individuals utilizing the equipment were picking up the transmissions of the police and sheriff's office in Livingston, transferring the signal down to another piece of radio equipment in Southern Park County, and then	b6 b7с
converting that over to the UHF broadcast. He said he believes members of the CHURCH UNIVERSAL AND	
TRIUMPHANT (CUT) were using the equipment in order to monitor police traffic and find out where the police, sheriff's office, and highway patrol units were.	
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Sheriff CHARLIE JOHNSON, PARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, said he received a piece of electronic equipment from MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL. This piece of equipment was apparently used to monitor police radio traffic in the Livingston area and convert it over to another radio channel which was then broadcast allegedly to the radio center of the CHURCH UNIVERSAL AND TRIUMPHANT (CUT).
He said, apparently, in Livingston, had made up this piece of equipment for CUT.
JOHNSON said after he had received the piece of equipment there were two individuals who came in about a week later asking if they could retrieve the equipment. Sheriff JOHNSON told them that they would have to provide him with their name, address, date of birth, and other identifying information before he could release the piece of equipment to them.
JOHNSON said he also asked these two individuals if that piece of equipment belonged to them, and they responded that it did not. The two unidentified men said they would recontact JOHNSON at some point in the future regarding the equipment, however, he has never heard from them.
Several weeks after this came into the sheriff's department and retrieved the piece of electronic equipment.
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was interviewed at his	j
place of employment, U-HAUL, Park Road, Livingston, Montana,	
telephone 222-6706.	
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said that sometime in February or March of	
1990, he rented one of the U-HAUL trucks to an individual	
identifying himself as	b6
The license plate that was on	b7
personal vehicle was home telephone	
number was and his date of birth was	•
When the rental truck was returned back to the U-HAUL	
company, there was an electronic device left in the truck.	
described this device as approximately 21 inches wide	
by 14 inches by five inches high. He said the device had several	L
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INTERCEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS

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Investigation into this matter indicates that there is no violation of the "Interception of Communications" statute.

Contact with Park County Sheriff CHARLEY JOHNSON, Montana Highway Patrolman employee and Federal Communications Commission Chief Engineer, Seattle, WA has determined that unknown subjects had in their possession a piece of equipment that appeared to monitor two law enforcement radio frequencies in Park County, MT, transmitted the signals to another base station apparently operated by CUT members, and then re-broadcast the transmissions on another frequency to another remote location.

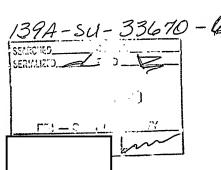
FCC, said that the rebroadcast on a non-licensed frequency would be an administrative violation of FCC regulations, but the mere reception and/or recording of law enforcement radio transmissions would not be a violation of federal law.

Interviews of these individuals have been set out separately on FD 302s.

In view of the lack of a violation of the Interception of Communications statue, it is recommended that this case be administratively closed.

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